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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Bernardston Fire Station project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Bernardston, located at 38 Church Street, Bernardston, MA 01337. The funding would be used for the construction of a new fire station.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Bernardston's Fire Department serves as first or second alarm respondent to over 20 towns in the area and the current fire station is over 50 years old and completely inadequate to the needs of a modern fire department.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Develop Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

James P. McGovern Member of Congress

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